

ORDER**FIRE RESTRICTIONS
GRADE RONDE WILD AND SCENIC RIVERWAY
WALLOWA-WHITMAN NATIONAL FOREST**

Pursuant to 36 CFR, Sec. 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited within the portion of the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest which lies within a ¼ mile of the section of the Grand Ronde River located in Wallowa County Oregon, beginning 00:01, July 22, 2010 at 00:01 hours, until further notice:

- (1.) Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire. For the purpose of this order, this restriction applies to building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire outside of the developed recreation sites, except for liquefied or bottled gas stoves and heaters, and except for stove fires within permanent residential structures (36 CFR 261.52(a)).
- (2.) Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site, or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable material (36 CFR 261.52(d)).
- (3.) It is prohibited to possess or use a vehicle off National Forest System roads. For the purpose of this order, this restriction applies to use or possession of motorized vehicles off National Forest System roads and off National Forest System trails, except for the purposes of going to and from campsites when such campsites are located within 300 feet of an open National Forest System road (36 CFR 261.56).

Pursuant to 36 CFR, Sec. 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from items 1, 3, and 4 of this order:

- (1.) Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the prohibited act or omission.

Pursuant to 36 CFR, Sec. 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from items 3 and 4 of this order:

- (1.) Any Federal, State or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A.

Done at Baker City, Oregon, this 22 day of July, 2010.

/s/Steven A. Ellis
STEVEN A. ELLIS
Forest Supervisor
Wallowa-Whitman National Forest

Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both. (16 U.S.C. 551 and 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571)

Assessment of Need and Enforcement Plan**1. Background:**

These restrictions have been deemed necessary because of unusually dry fire conditions on the forest.

2. Intent of Subpart B Order:

These restrictions are intended to reduce the occurrence of human caused wildfires.

3. Enforcement Plan:

<u>Action</u>	<u>Responsible Official</u>	<u>Date</u>
Prepare proposed order	Appropriate Staff with LEI input	7/20/10
Review proposed order	Patrol Captain	7/20/10
Approve proposed order	Forest Supervisor	
Post order in accordance with 36 CFR 261.51	District Staff Officer and Staff	
Prepare news release for local media describing the order and management objectives	PAO	
Education will be emphasized during initial implementation phase of this order. Officers will exercise normal discretion in resolving violations. Officers will normally not issue citations unless the affected areas are adequately posted. Evening patrols will be emphasized, especially on weekends.	Law Enforcement Personnel/Forest Protection Officers	Upon Approval

/s/Steven A. Ellis

STEVEN A. ELLIS
Forest Supervisor

/s/ Walter M. Merritt

Walter Merritt
Patrol Captain